MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

DECEMBER 21, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Fire Commission was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Pat Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Michael Zuccarelli, Mary Jane Mulligan, Peter Criscuolo and Joseph Cappucci. Also present were Chief Paul Januszewski and Deputy Chief David Marcarelli.

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting held on November 16, 2016. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chief Januszewski discussed his Chief's Report. He spoke of EMS calls; motor vehicle accidents; fire marshal office; training; current budget status; and ISO rating. The sick/injury was discussed in executive session.

Brief discussion was had amongst the commission with regard to the Chief's report.

Chief Januszewski discussed the correspondence – a thank you letter from Community Services thanking all the volunteers that helped with their food drive.

Chief Januszewski discussed the unfinished business in the department. He stated that the volunteer firefighter recruitment drive is still ongoing; radio system upgrade is underway comparing systems; and DOT encroachment application was approved and expect movement soon.

Chairman Nuzzolillo spoke about the volunteer recruitment being down throughout many states due to people working more hours and having less time. Thank you to all those that do serve and spread the word to anyone interested in volunteering for the North Haven Fire Department.

Chief Januszewski discussed the new business in the department. He spoke in regards to FF Ackerman's upgrade and company nominations to be discussed in executive session. Lastly, a new rescue was approved at a Town wide meeting held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission thanked the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectman for addressing the need of a new rescue purchase. He also thanked everyone for coming out to the town meeting and for their support of the fire department.

Chief Januszewski spoke of the good of the department. The new recruit for the department graduated from the CT Fire Academy on December 9, 2016 and his swearing in ceremony was held at fire headquarters on December 12, 2016; holiday food drive was a big success; the toy drive concluded and all the toys were delivered to Yale-New Haven Hospital's Toy Closet as well as community services; lastly, Santa runs were a huge success once again!

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission spoke of the swearing in ceremony and congratulated FF Matthew Ackerman. He also thanked all the volunteers once again for their efforts with the toy drive which was over the top. Lastly, Santa runs put smiles on all the children's faces this past weekend.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo motioned to convene an executive session at 6:31 PM. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded. Voted: Nuzzolillo-ves, Zuccarelli-ves, Mulligan-ves, Criscuolo-ves, Cappucci-ves

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion for company officers at Montowese Co2, effective January 1, 2017 – 1st Lt. Brian Jooss, Lt's Angel Sanjurjo, Cody Dudek and Tom DeChello. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Cappucci made a motion for company officers at West Ridge Co3, effective January 1, 2017 – 1st Lt. Tony McKinney, Lt's Justin Orlando, Stephen Irons and Tom Crilly. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Mulligan made a motion for company officers at Northeast Co4, effective January 1, 2017 – 1st Lt. Carl Viens, Lt's Bob Kovach, Jeff Miller and Todd Ricci. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to carry over FF Richard Filosi's approved unused 13 vacation days from 2016 into calendar year 2017. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Mulligan made a motion to upgrade FF Matthew Ackerman from Grade C to FF Grade B status, effective December 9, 2016. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to accept Anthony Lavorgna as a Probationary Member of Montowese Co2, effective immediately pending medical clearance and national background check. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to accept the letter from Howie Cappetta requesting a leave of absence from Montowese Co₂, effective immediately. Commissioner Cappucci seconded. Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Happy Holidays to all!

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved for adjournment at 7:05 PM. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Mulligan - Secretary

Minutes by Yvonne Zilinski

The next Board of Fire Commission Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at Northeast Co4 – Community Room at 6:00 PM.